

Census Chief Says Nearly All Were Covered By 1950 Census

"I haven't been counted!" James I. Pierceall, district supervisor for the census in the 17th Congressional District, winces when he hears that, but he has a stock answer:

"Would you like to bet on it?" he asks. The odds are about a thousand to one against anyone being missed in the 1950 census just completed, he says.

"If you've been on the American scene for three or four decades, the odds against your having been overlooked in all of these censuses are astronomical," according to Pierceall.

Believe it or not, some babies miss out of their first census because the parents forgot to mention the infant when the census taker stopped by, he says.

To safeguard against this, the Census Bureau special its census takers with a special infant card on which all babies born in the months of January, February or March of this year were listed. The infant was also listed on the regular Census Population records, Pierceall claims.

Thus, a double assurance is given that the babies will be counted in the 1950 census. The information given on the infant card also is used for checking birth registration records to determine how nearly complete birth registration records are.

This is important because the Census Bureau's annual population estimates for the nation and the states are involved.

Babies are not the only difficult segment of America to catch on a census, Pierceall says. Census takers have a task catching up with transients, persons who are traveling away from their homes at census taking time.

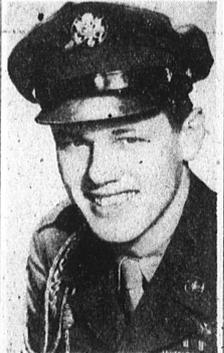
In cases where some members of the family remain at home, information on the missing ones is obtained from them, Pierceall said.

"But many people do not maintain a permanent home or they live alone, and when they are away, there is no one to provide the census taker with the information," he said.

The Census Bureau makes a special provision for this, too. Just before the close of the census, the Census Bureau publishes notices calling attention to the approaching end and requesting all persons who believe they have not been enumerated to get in touch with the local census district office.

Other census crews make trips through transient areas such as rooming houses and trailer courts. In larger cities, crews make forays into boweries and skid rows to pick up data on the homeless.

For those who still claim they haven't been counted, Pierceall will repeat his answer: "Would you like to bet on it?"



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Local Man Participates In Operation 'Swarmer'

Taking part in the current massive Air Force operation "Swarmer," the nation's greatest peacetime maneuver at Greenville, S. C., Army Air Force Base, is Corporal John Robert Garner, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Garner of 803 Annapola avenue.

He was among 25 former Berlin Airlift personnel who were recent guests of Twentieth Century Fox Studio at the premier showing of the "Big Lift."

Transferred to Southern Pines, N. C., by their Air Force, they were dinner guests of General Turner and were photographed by Newsreel "at the conclusion of the present maneuver."

Corporal Garner will return to his permanent base, Wright Patterson, Dayton, Ohio, Air Force Base.

Summer Classes Get Bus Service

Transportation has been made available for those wishing to attend summer school at the Seaside Elementary school through arrangements with the Torrance Municipal Bus system, according to an announcement made this week.

Thirty-ride books selling for \$1.50, or 5 cents a ride, will be made available to children attending the school from Hollywood Riviera.

The bus will leave Hollywood Riviera at 8:10 a.m. and arrive at 8:25 the announcement said. Returning busses will leave the school at 12:51 p.m. to return students to Riviera.

Questions concerning enrollment of children in the school can be answered by calling FRontier 5-1196.

Local Men Given Recognition for Lengthy Service

Recognition for a long service came to several Torrance men employed with General Petroleum recently when that company awarded service anniversary pins.

Lining up to receive 30-year pins were J. R. Bolton and G. L. Bowers, both of the Torrance refinery.

Twenty-five-year pins went to Coyne Patrick and J. R. Gobble of the refinery, and to C. H. Freeman of the engineering department.

No local men came in for the 20-year pins this time. With General Petroleum for 15 years, A. R. Steward, engineering, received his pin in recognition of the length of service.

Five-year pins went to C. W. Brown, refining; Ray Y. Colman, engineering; T. O. Darrough, refining; Newton F. Grove, transportation; W. L. Johnson, refining; Zeb Johnson, engineering; John Kneip, refining; J. H. Miller, refining; LeRoy Schulte, engineering; Delno O. Smith, refining and A. L. Wolgamott, refining.

Information On Youth Camping Now Available

Specific information regarding camping, what groups of children make the most use of facilities, and where the gaps are found now is available to citizens of the metropolitan area, according to Milton Goldberg, chairman of the Camping Committee of Youth Services Division of Welfare Council speaking to members of 1st District Welfare Council in Gardens May 16th.

Long a matter of speculation, Goldberg said it is now conclusive that the kids who most need the health and character-building experiences of camping are not getting a chance to go to camp, largely because of the relatively high cost even among non-profit Community Chest agencies.

Goldberg based his remarks on a survey of camping just being completed by the Research Department of the Welfare Council which in his words "is the initial step in community-wide planning for adequate camping opportunities for all children."

The survey, he said, is the most elaborate of its kind in the United States and for the first time, local youth leaders can intelligently work for better conditions.

He stressed the use of "camperships" provided by many service clubs, churches and other groups for the benefit of underprivileged children, and suggested that local people who know of boys and girls who would be denied a week in camp because of the family's economic circumstances ask the various organizations for cooperation. In long-range planning, he said, provisions will have to be made to find funds to lower camping costs through Community Chest allocations.

Part of the survey includes the results of questionnaires given 20,000 young campers, Goldberg said, which shows that far more boys than girls attend; the greatest age group is from 10 to 13 years; teenagers are in minority and attend largely church camps, and that there are meager provision for Mexicans.



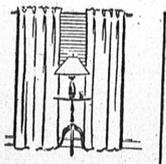
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